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RESPONSE A TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This RESPONSE A is in reply to the Office action mailed 21 September 2004. No fee is due for the addition of any new claims. An appropriate Petition for Extension of Time to Respond is submitted herewith, together with the appropriate fee.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 11 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.